

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 5 and 8, cancel claim 7, and add new claim 9 as follows:

1. (Previously Amended) A method of installing a trim ring to a headliner of a motor vehicle comprising the steps of:

stacking a sonic horn with the headliner and the trim ring; and

vibrating the sonic horn such that the trim ring and the headliner bond and weld together in at least one weld area.

2. (Previously Amended) The method of installing a trim ring to a headliner as in claim 1, further comprising the step of providing a nest and wherein said step of stacking the sonic horn with headliner and the trim ring occurs on the nest such that the trim ring, the headliner, and the sonic horn are supported by the nest.

3. (Previously Amended) The method of installing a trim ring to a headliner as in claim 1, wherein said step of vibrating the sonic horn such that the trim ring and the headliner bond and weld together in at least one weld area creates numerous weld areas around perimeter of said trim ring.

4. (Previously Amended) The method of installing a trim ring to a headliner as in claim 1, wherein said step of stacking the trim ring, the headliner, and a sonic horn further comprises including at least one energy director between the trim ring and the headliner.

5. (Currently Amended) The method of installing a trim ring to a headliner as in claim 4, wherein said energy directors ~~comprise~~ are comprised of plastic.

6. (Previously Amended) The method of installing a trim ring to a headliner as in claim 1, further comprising the step of fastening the headliner to a sunroof bracket with fasteners.

7. (Cancelled).

8. (Currently Amended) The method of installing a trim ring to a headliner as set forth in claim 1 wherein said step of stacking the sonic horn with the headliner and the trim ring includes positioning the headliner between the sonic ~~[[ring]]~~ horn and the trim ring.

9. (New) The method of installing a trim ring to a headliner as set forth in claim 8 wherein said step of positioning the headliner between the sonic horn and the trim ring further includes stacking at least one fastener above the headliner in the weld area to allow the headliner to be attached to the vehicle body.